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To: Select County Superintendents of Schools,
County Auditors, and County Treasurers

From: Janet Sterling, Director
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Subject: Notice of the Recertified Special Purpose, School Improvement Program, and
Economic Impact Aid Apportionments, Fiscal Year 2000-01

This apportionment, in the amount of \$1,269,277,136, has been made from funds provided in the following sources: the 2000 Budget Act (Chapter 52, Statutes of 2000); and the 1999 Budget Act (Chapter 50, Statutes of 1999). These funds support the Pupil Transportation (Special Purpose), the School Improvement, and the Economic Impact Aid programs. Pursuant to *Education Code* Section 14041(a)(5), the program allocations are paid in ten monthly installments, which began in September 2000. In the months September through March, the State Controller issued warrants to each county treasurer for one-tenth of the total amount certified to the county. This apportionment is currently being recertified to correct excesses or deficiencies in accordance with *Education Code* Section 41334. The April warrants will include eight-tenths of the amount certified, less the amounts paid in September through March. Thereafter, one-tenth of the amount certified in April will be included in the warrants for the months from May through June 2001. Please note that additional recertification of the apportionment amounts may occur between the months of May and June due to revised data or additional legislation. If necessary, the monthly payment schedule will be adjusted accordingly to reflect payments already made.

I. Notice, Summary, and Exhibits Enclosed

- A. Notice of the Recertified Special Purpose, School Improvement Program and Economic Impact Aid Apportionments, fiscal year 2000-01
- B. Schedules of Apportionments-Computer Printout Tabulations
 - 1. Pupil Transportation
 - Home-to-School Transportation - Exhibit I & I-A
 - Special Education Transportation - Exhibit I-S
- C. Summary of Apportionments by County
- D. Monthly Payment Schedule

II. Special Purpose Apportionment

Pupil Transportation - The fiscal year 2000-01 Home-to-School and Special Education Transportation apportionments have been recertified to reflect data submitted on the 1999-00 fiscal year Annual Reports of Pupil Transportation Expense. Enclosed are three exhibits that provide detail regarding this recertification. Exhibit I lists the fiscal year 2000-01 Home-to-School Transportation allowance for each participating local educational agency (LEA). Please note the following:

- The fiscal year 2000-01 Home-to-School Transportation entitlements are equal to the lesser of the fiscal year 1999-00 entitlements (including fiscal year 1999-00 equalization and the supplemental grant add-on to Home-to-School Transportation after fiscal year 1999-00 reorganizations and/or transfers of service) or the fiscal year 1999-00 approved Home-to-School Transportation costs (EDP 130, Form J-141 or Form TRAN), plus 1.45 percent for growth and 3.17 percent for cost-of-living adjustment (COLA).
- Exhibit I-A contains information on how the entitlements listed in column 1 of Exhibit I were determined.
- The appropriation for Home-to-School Transportation was sufficient to fund the entitlements as calculated; therefore, no deficit factor was applied to the Home-to-School Transportation program.

Exhibit I-S lists the fiscal year 2000-01 Special Education Transportation allowance for each participating LEA. Please note the following:

- The fiscal year 2000-01 Special Education Transportation entitlements are equal to the lesser of the fiscal year 1999-00 entitlements (after fiscal year 1999-00 reorganizations and/or transfers of service) or the fiscal year 1999-00 approved Special Education Transportation costs (EDP 133, Form J-141-S or Form TRAN), plus 1.45 percent for growth and 3.17 percent for COLA.
- The appropriation for Special Education Transportation was sufficient to fund the entitlements; therefore, no deficit factor was applied to the Special Education Transportation program.

For standardized account code structure (SACS) coding, use Resource Code 7230, Transportation–Home to School, or Resource Code 7240, Transportation–Special Education (SH/OH), and Revenue Object Code 8311, Other State Apportionments–Current Year, for either home-to-school or special education transportation. For prior year adjustments, use Revenue Object Code 8319, Other State Apportionments–Prior Year. For non-SACS coding, use Income Account Code 8342, Home-to-School Transportation or Income Account Code 8347, Special Education Transportation.

School Improvement Program (SIP)-There has been no change to the SIP apportionment amounts previously certified.

Economic Impact Aid (EIA)-There has been no change to the EIA apportionment amounts previously certified.

Supplemental Grants Roll-Ins-Allocations for Supplemental Grants selections made pursuant to *Education Code* Section 54761.2 will be paid in a separate apportionment.

Charter School Funds-SIP and EIA programs are included in the charter school block grant funding model pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 47630) of Part 26.8 of the *Education Code*. Therefore, charter schools that are participating in the model will receive their SIP and EIA funding as part of the categorical component of the charter school block grant, which is allocated as part of the principal apportionment. The enrollment and/or ADA data for these charter schools have been excluded from the enrollment and/or ADA data that generate SIP and EIA funding for the chartering agency. Charter schools that are not participating in the charter school block grant funding model will receive their SIP and EIA funding through their chartering agency. The pupil transportation program allocations included in this apportionment are for school districts and county offices of education. For purposes of pupil transportation, *Education Code* Section 47612 deems charter schools to be school districts. Therefore, to receive transportation funding, the charter school must negotiate a transfer of service from the school district previously transporting the students. This will establish a separate transportation allowance for the charter school.

Questions-LEAs should consult their county office of education for any questions regarding this apportionment. In addition, this apportionment letter will be posted on the California Department of Education Web site at: www.cde.ca.gov/sfsdiv/categorical. General questions concerning this apportionment may be directed to Ging Tucker (916) 324-4536 or by e-mail (gtucker@cde.ca.gov). For specific program areas, please contact the School Fiscal Services Division staff as follows:

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Enclosures

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